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SUBJECT: ARMY UNIT MUTINY IN SOUTH

REF: KHARTOUM 0543 AND 0603

1. WITH "REVOLUTIONARY FRANKNESS AND OPENESS DICTATED BY RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARD OUR PEOPLE," GOS HAS FINALLY ENDED ITS SILENCE ON WIDELY KNOWN MUTINOUS INCIDENT OCCURRING AT AKOBO TEN DAYS AGO. VICE PRESIDENT ABEL ALIER, WHO ALSO HEADS HIGH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR SOUTH, ISSUED LONG STATEMENT MARCH 11 CHARACTERIZING MUTINY AS ISOLATED INCIDENT CAUSED BY A FEW ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY RUMOR-MONGERS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND SUSPICIONS RELATED TO A ROUTINE ROTATION OF NORTHERN ELEMENTS OF AKOBO BATTALION. ACCORDING STATEMENT, "POISONED ATMOSPHERE" LED TO SHOOTING BY WEAK AND NERVOUS SOUTHERN SOLDIERS, RESULTING IN DEATH OF AKOBO COMMANDER (SOUTHERN COLONEL ABEL CHOL ATER) AND SEVEN MEN (ONLY ONE OF THEM A SOUTHERNER). ALIER SAID HE "DECIDED TO STOP...AT THE BOUNDARIES OF AKOBO" A FORCE SENT
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FROM MALKAL TO RESTORE PEACE, WHICH ACCOMPLISHED INSTEAD BY WISE

AND SOBER ACTION BY HIMSELF, PROVINCE COMMISSIONER GATKOT, GENERAL LAGU (SOUTHERN COMMAND) AND OTHER OFFICIALS. STATEMENT PROCLAIMED THAT FULL ORDER RESTORED AND INVESTIGATION PROCEEDING.

2. PRESIDENT NIMEIRI, ADDRESSING MEETING OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF SUDAN SOCIALIST UNION MARCH 11, SAID HE HAD "LEARNED FROM (ALIER) STATEMENT" OF MARCH 2 INCIDENT, WHICH HE DEPLORED AS EFFORT BY FEW TO UNDERMINE NATIONAL UNITY DESIRED BY MAJORITY OF FORCES IN AKOBO.
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